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## Head trauma killed victim, police say

**HOMICIDE** Police have confirmed that a woman who died in a northeast neighbourhood Wednesday morning was a victim of homicide.

The lifeless body of 64-year-old Treana Theresa Carlson was carried from her home at 11914 - 81 St. shortly after 6 a.m.

An autopsy has confirmed that the woman died from head trauma.

One man was taken in for questioning after the murder, but police have yet to lay charges in connection with the incident. Officials are urging any witnesses that may have information about the homicide to call Crime Stoppers. **METRO**

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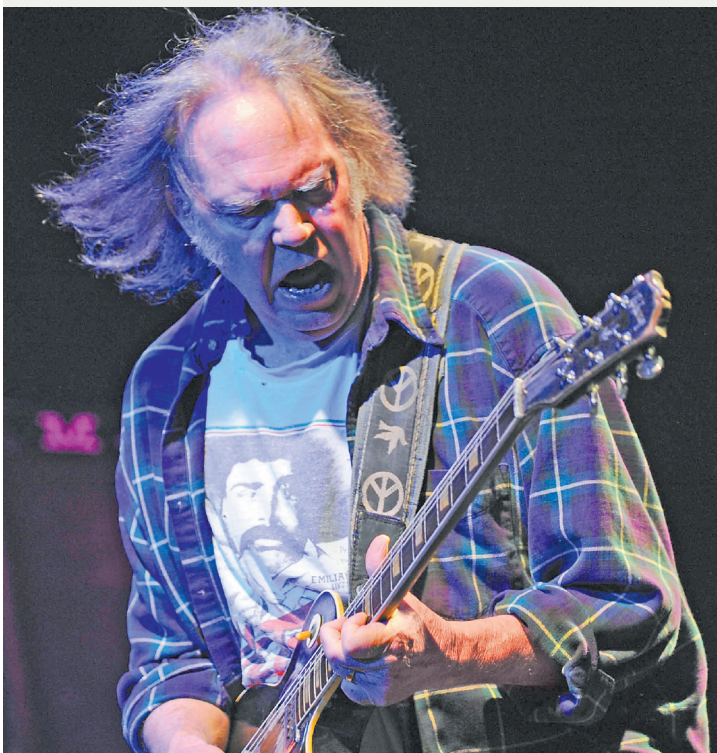
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## Rexall Place **Forever Young**



Neil Young rocked an exuberant crowd at Rexall Place Thursday night. The legendary Canadian rocker's latest album, *Fork In The Road*, is out now.

## Province begins housing initiative

**PROJECT** Over 1,000 Albertans will have a place to call home by the end of 2009, as the building blocks for a decade-long foundation to end homelessness are laid by provincial officials.

Premier Ed Stelmach and Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Yvonne Fritz rubbed elbows with front-line industry workers and 55 former homeless people on Wednesday night where a commitment was made to

secure safe housing for our province's most vulnerable residents.

"We heard evidence from people and their stories," Fritz said. "They show strength that we can only imagine."

More than \$400 million was set aside recently in the provincial budget for a three-year commitment to create 2,700 homes.

"It's breaking ground and reaffirming and solidifying

the 'housing first' model' that we've been working with for years," said Hope Mission spokesman Peter Gerber. "This pats us on the back and tells us we're going in the right direction."

Over 120 people have been placed in permanent housing through Hope Mission's "Rapid Exit" program since November. The plan will create 700 new units this year. **VICTORIA HANDYSIDES/ METRO EDMONTON**

# Suicidal stick-up

## Robbery ends with 2 deaths

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**The sharp crack of gunfire rang twice through a quiet morning in southeast Edmonton Thursday, and within minutes, two men were dead.**

Around 10:15 a.m., a robber burst through the door of Bella Tonic Spa on Millbourne Road, a family-run salon and laser hair clinic.

A man thrust a loaded handgun at employees, and demanded cash. A man working in the salon brazenly confronted the gunman.

"A shot was fired, and the employee was killed," said police spokesman Jeff Wuite.

Frantically, a woman called 9-1-1, telling the operator she thought her husband had been murdered. Emergency crews rushed to the scene to attempt to save the man's life. He was dead by the time crews arrived.

The shooter sprinted away, two blocks north to Millbourne Shopping Centre, where he attempted another robbery, this time of a liquor store.

Police arrived within minutes, blocking off the entrance to Millbourne Liquor. When the defeated man realized he was surrounded, he turned the gun on himself.

His lifeless body lay in the

doorway through the morning, while robbery and homicide detectives scoured the scene for evidence and witnesses.

Indira Saroya and her husband, Joginder, have known the family who own Bella Tonic for many years, and say the shooting has shaken their faith in the neighbourhood.

"They are really nice people," Joginder said. "This is really shocking."

Police were unable to confirm the identity of either man yesterday.

Two Catholic elementary schools were locked down after the shootings. The Saroyas said their first concern was the 14 children at their business, Shiva Day Care, a few doors down from Bella Tonic.

Having run for MLA in Edmonton-Millwoods-Beaumont in the last provincial election, Indira said she's very involved in the community, but fears crime is on the rise.

"It is very scary," she said. "We're very concerned."

The shooting comes after another recent shopping mall incident in Toronto, in which a security guard was shot in the chest, but survived thanks to the bullet-proof vest he was wearing.

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# Local



## No control for knife sales: Report

A report released Thursday has concluded that the city can't control the sale of knives. Mayor Stephen Mandel inquired about potential bylaw changes that could cut into the sale of knives, after numerous knife attacks in early 2009.

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## Man charged after senior robbed of purse

**THEFT** An Edmonton man has been charged after he allegedly terrorized an 88-year-old senior before taking her purse Wednesday.

Police say the senior was walking in an alley behind her home near 96 Avenue and 162 Street around 3 p.m. when she was allegedly knocked from behind and sent to the ground by the suspect.

The suspect snatched the woman's purse and then ran off, police said.

The woman went into her home and gave a description of the attacker to 9-1-1 operators, police said.

Police said they were able to match the description within minutes after finding the suspect with several pieces of the woman's property.

The woman was treated in hospital for a sore wrist and ribs.

Kevin Meetoos, 18, has been charged with robbery.

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# Lindsay still supportive of Tasers

Solicitor general confident of devices though test shows 10 per cent defective

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**Alberta solicitor general and Minister of Public Security Fred Lindsay says he still feels confident about the use of Tasers after a government test showed more than 10 per cent of the devices used by police services were malfunctioning.**

A total of 412 newer and late-model Tasers that were tested by a technology firm in Ontario found

50 that didn't operate within specifications, according to a government report.

Less than 20 of the malfunctioning devices were giving out a jolt that was higher than tolerable, the report said.

Lindsay, who was once jolted by a Taser, believes the test still ensures Tasers are an effective tool in law enforcement.

"We bought an instrument that was supposed to be up to specifications and we weren't going to

deviate from that, regardless if they were slightly over or significantly over," said Lindsay.



Fred Lindsay

"We pulled them out of the market and we had them recertified or destroyed."

Lindsay says another 735 Tasers used by all police forces in the province, including the Edmonton Po-

lice Service, will be tested immediately.

And the test results were similar to findings in British Columbia and Quebec where both provinces found one in every 10 Tasers were defective.

"I don't have any evidence to suggest one way or another (if this caused fatalities)," said Lindsay.

"This goes back to the assumption that if they are out of spec, they have contributed to injuries. We don't have any evidence to

suggest that at all."

Police Chief Mike Boyd has said city police are not going to change policies around Tasers after the RCMP moved to restrict the use of the stun guns because it can kill in certain cases.

Mounties will now only use Tasers if there is a real threat to public safety because it's too dangerous to use on suspects who are only resisting arrest, said RCMP Commissioner William Elliott last winter in Ottawa.

## Fashion Making it Worthwhile



BEN JAMNESHION/METRO EDMONTON

A model displays an outfit from Who Cares Wear Clothing at the Royal Glenora Club, Thursday afternoon, during the sixth annual Worthwhile Style fashion show. The event was attended by local administrative professionals who were being honoured during Administrative Professionals Week, and supported Edmonton's Lurana Shelter for women.

## Seniors' drug plan gets overhaul after complaints

**CUTBACKS** The government will overhaul its drug plan for seniors after getting hundreds of complaints ever since it announced cuts to drug coverage four months ago.

Health Minister Ron Liepert says the cuts would have saved the government \$30 million a year, but a new and complex plan announced Thursday would save the government \$20 million annually. That's \$10 million less than the previous plan.

"My intention is to show that we've listened to seniors' concerns, that we want

to maintain a policy that more reflects the future," said Liepert.

"We don't want a policy that is a one-size-fits-all."

Under the new plan, 60 per cent of seniors will either get their prescriptions at no charge or they will pay less than what they're paying now.

Those seniors who earn more will pay a monthly health premium based on their taxable income and a fraction of the prescription costs. They can also opt out of the plan, said Liepert.

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## News in brief

**COLLISION** Police believe alcohol may be a factor in a crash involving a car that struck an idling flatbed truck working in a construction zone on 170 Street near Whitemud Drive Wednesday morning. The car was trav-

elling south when it slammed into the truck around 11 a.m., police said. All four people in the car sustained non-life-threatening injuries and no construction workers were hurt, police said.

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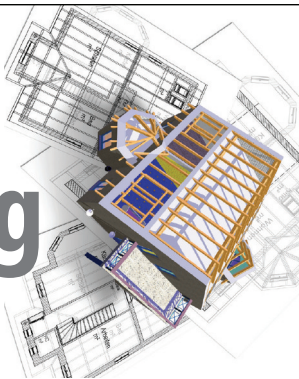
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# Dash for the sash

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## Three journeys are beginning for three young Edmonton women who are trying to become Miss Universe.

Orlandice Balanag, 21, Sameet Gill, 21, and Paula Bailey, 25, said they are getting nervous, but they're excited as they continue to prepare for the Miss Universe Canada finals in Toronto May 16.

The three are hoping to be selected out of 64 competitors from across the country to take part in the international competition in the Bahamas later this year.

"I am very nervous," said Balanag, an architecture student from NAIT who is trying out for the pageant for the first time. "But since I started this I feel like I have more confidence."

Balanag said she would like to speak out on world issues and against bullying if she is chosen as Miss Universe Canada.



Sameet Gill, 21, will compete for the Miss Universe Canada title in Toronto May 16.

Bailey, a public-health nurse who moved from Fort McMurray seven years ago, said she thought twice about her first time trying out for a beauty pageant.

"But this is a chance for me to reach out to people for the work that I do," said Bailey.

Gill, who is the vice-president of a non-profit group at the University of Alberta

called Circle K International, has never modelled before, but said she has watched pageants since she was a little girl.

"Having watched pageants since I was five years old, I just want to know what pageantry is like now," said Gill, who wants to fight hunger, disease and poverty if she's picked as Miss Universe Canada.

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**Flooded property owners await fate**

Owners of flooded property should learn within weeks, rather than months, whether the Manitoba government will offer to buy them out. Emergency Measures Minister Steve Ashton said the province has learned lessons from the aftermath of the flood of 1997. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

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# Canada



## Kyoto numbers rise

Greenhouse gas emissions from industrialized nations rose by nearly one per cent in 2007, led by strong gains in the United States, official data showed. Carbon emissions from countries signed up to the Kyoto Protocol climate pact edged up by 0.1 per cent in 2007, mainly due to rises in Japan and Canada. "The numbers are ... a bit depressing," said Knut Alfsen, research director at the Centre for International Climate and Environmental Research in Oslo, Norway. **REUTERS**

## PM holds steady on Khadr

Won't seek detainee's release from Guantanamo despite judge's order

**Prime Minister Stephen Harper continues to support the U.S. imprisonment of Omar Khadr, despite a federal court ordering him to seek the Toronto-born captive's return from the cells of Guantanamo.**

Federal Court Justice James O'Reilly ruled Thursday Canada had denied Khadr his constitutional right to a fair trial and violated international law protecting children captured in armed conflict.

"Canada had a duty to protect Mr. Khadr from being subjected to any torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, from being unlawfully detained, and from being locked up for a duration exceeding the shortest appropriate period of time," he wrote.

Highlighting the fact that Khadr was only 15 when shot and captured by U.S. forces in Afghanistan, O'Reilly concluded that Ottawa must request that the

"United States return Mr. Khadr to Canada as soon as practicable."

But when questioned in Commons Thursday about whether he will seek Khadr's return, Harper said his government's position remains the same.

"The facts in our judgment have not changed. We will be looking at the judgment very carefully and obviously considering an appeal," Harper said.

Khadr has been in U.S. custody since he was shot

and captured in Afghanistan in July 2002. Now 22 and the only citizen of a western nation still imprisoned, Khadr's fate hangs in the balance as the U.S. Justice Department reviews his case. U.S. President Barack Obama ordered Guantanamo shut by January and the remaining 240 detainees will either be tried elsewhere, repatriated or taken to a third country willing to provide refuge.

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## Ukraine Jean tours Europe



Ukraine's President Viktor Yushchenko listens to Canadian Gov. Gen. Michaëlle Jean in Kiev Thursday while visiting a monument dedicated to the mass famine of 1932-33. Jean will go on to Norway following the state visit.

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### News in brief

**INQUIRY** Author William Kaplan said Thursday Brian Mulroney repeatedly tried to stop him from making public that the former prime minister

took \$300,000 in cash from arms dealer Karlheinz Schreiber. "Mr. Mulroney did not want the story of the cash payment to become public,"

Kaplan, who has written two books about Mulroney, told a public inquiry probing Mulroney's business dealings with Schreiber. Schreiber says

he paid Mulroney \$300,000 to lobby for a project to build German-designed military vehicles in Canada.

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## Diplomats appear healthy, official says

**KIDNAPPING** Two Canadian diplomats sported bushy grey beards but otherwise showed few physical signs of their four-month ordeal during their first public appearance after they were released from captivity.

Robert Fowler and Louis Guay were dressed in suits and were all smiles Thursday during a visit to the presidential palace in Mali to convey their personal thanks to President Amadou Toumani Toure for his country's help in securing their release.

Neither Fowler, who

wore dark sunglasses to the indoor event, nor Guay spoke publicly but their brief appearance helped comfort friends and loved ones worried about the effects of their long captivity.

"They appear to be okay physically," a government official said in Ottawa. "We're a little bit concerned that they did endure some mental and psychological abuse, but they're now free, they're safe."

Another source said the pair are in good health.

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### News in brief

**IPHONES** Apple Inc. didn't win any votes with parents, child advocacy groups or health experts across North America this week by offering a game called Baby Shaker to iPhone customers. Reaction to the

game, described by some parents and experts as totally inappropriate and tasteless, was so vociferous that Apple pulled it from its iTunes store on Wednesday.

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# Begley's the real deal

Actor led a green lifestyle before it became fashionable to do

**Ed Begley Jr. runs his house and car off the solar panels on the roof of his modest California bungalow, cooks beans in a solar oven and pedals to toast his bread in the morning. But he flew in an airplane to speak at both the Ontario Energy Conservation Leadership Summit and last night's kickoff to the Green Living Show.**

Begley Jr. is the real thing. He's been an environmentalist for almost 40 years now, long before the red carpet went green and Leonardo DiCaprio (who calls him a "true green pioneer") posed for Vanity Fair on a melting iceberg.

He cycles to Hollywood parties. He took a loan to buy a wind turbine in 1981. He grows one-quarter of his own food, including olives, which he cures. The white



Actor and green activist Ed Begley Jr. tours the Canadian National Exhibition grounds in an eco-friendly 2010 Toyota Prius in Toronto yesterday.

picket fence before his house is made from recycled milk cartons. He's written a book about eco-living and starred in a reality tele-

vision show about his life called Living with Ed.

Green living isn't just a hobby for Begley, it's an informed passion. He agrees

that the science on climate change is daunting, and the planet's prognosis is bleak without an all-out commitment to cut greenhouse gas emissions. But he remains unabashedly upbeat, pointing to past success in fighting environmental problems such as holes in the ozone layer.

"We can do this," he implores. "We are at a point in history that our children and grandchildren are going to judge us harshly for if we don't do everything we can."

He doesn't expect everyone to get solar panels. Start small, he says, with an energy audit. Maybe add insulation in your home to prevent energy loss. It will save you money and get you hooked — soon you'll be brewing up all-natural cleaners. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

INFORMATION FEATURE

# You've got choices when it hurts



When pain becomes too much, some kids will harm themselves, says counsellor Sharon Girgis.

**SELF-HARM** When pain gets too hard to take, some kids deal with the problem the only way they know how — by harming themselves.

It's a problem that Sharon Girgis, a counsellor with Kids Help Phone, has seen all too often because kids often haven't learned good ways to cope with stress and pain.

"If kids have gone through some sort of personal trauma or stressful situation or emotional

pain, in general self-harm is what they'll do to divert their attention from the emotional to the physical," she said.

While adults can often find methods just as destructive to deal with their problems, kids are at a disadvantage because they may not understand there are better options.

"People will always have a variety of harmful coping mechanisms open to them, and many kids are at an age where they

### Contact

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are still developing their helpful coping mechanisms," Girgis said.

In her eight years as a counsellor, Girgis has seen a wide variety of self-harm cases ranging from minor to life-threatening, but said the one thing that always holds true

across all cases is that despite the perception of relief it gives, self-harm never solves the underlying problems that cause it.

"If you ask people what they get from self-harming, they say they go numb while they're doing it. But once the cutting stops, the problem is still there full-force. It doesn't

really fix anything," Girgis said.

While Girgis said eating disorders were more common in the 1980s, self-harm has quickly become the negative coping tool of choice for kids in recent years.

"Definitely in the last 10 to 15 years there's been an increase in self-harm, and ex-

perts don't entirely

know why.

A big part of it is exposure and word-of-mouth. Kids hear about it and want to try it out," Girgis said.

Girgis said kids who harm themselves can get caught up in a vicious cycle of guilt, hiding their wounds, lying about their behaviour while not addressing the root problem and, in many cases, exacerbating it. Many kids are too afraid to talk to their parents or loved ones about their self-harm problem and Girgis hopes those kids will take advantage of the experience, confidentiality and care that

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# World



## Bony or beautiful?

Australia's Miss Universe contest was thrown into controversy Thursday, with doctors and dieticians complaining the leading finalist, Sydney model Stephanie Naumoska, left, who is five-foot-11 and weighs 108 pounds, was "skin and bones" and dangerously malnourished. **REUTERS**

## Deadly suicide blasts hit Iraq

**Two suicide bombers wearing vests full of explosives blew themselves up in separate attacks Thursday, killing at least 76 people, including many Iranian pilgrims, in what appeared to be Iraq's bloodiest day in over a year.**

Shortly after the two attacks, the authorities in Baghdad said they had arrested the purported leader of an al Qaeda-affiliated insurgent group, Abu Omar al-Baghdadi. His arrest, which has been reported before, could not be confirmed.

One of the attacks occurred near Muqaddiya, 80 kilometres (50 miles)

northeast of Baghdad. The suicide bomber targeted a group of Iranian pilgrims in a crowded roadside restaurant at lunchtime. All but two of the 48 dead were pilgrims. Seventy-seven people were wounded. The other blast took place in central Baghdad as a group of Iraqi national police were distributing relief supplies to families driven from their homes at the height of the violence.

Twenty-eight people died, and 50 were wounded, with at least five children and two Red Crescent workers among the dead. Some witnesses said the bomber was a woman. **REUTERS**



A resident looks out from a damaged window after a bomb attack in Baghdad Thursday. A suicide bomber wearing a vest stuffed with explosives blew himself up in a group of police distributing relief supplies in Baghdad, killing at least 28.

## UN sending aid team to Sri Lankan war zone

**COLOMBO** UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said Thursday he was sending a humanitarian team to Sri Lanka, where thousands are trapped as troops push to end to a 25-year war with Tamil Tiger rebels.

Ban's decision came after the military said an exodus of 103,000 people from the tiny coastal strip had slowed, four days after troops blew up a barrier the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) built to stop them escaping.

### Traumatized

Thousands of people fleeing the war zone are arriving at hospitals with horrific injuries and severe trauma, doctors said.

The safety of the remaining tens of thousands in the 13 square kilometre area prompted the Security Council to demand the LTTE surrender and Sri Lanka institute a pause to the fighting. **REUTERS**

### News in brief

**NORTH KOREA** There is no sign of an easy solution to the North Korean crisis, Russia's foreign minister said Thursday during a visit, where he is expected to urge the state not to restart its nuclear arms plant.

Sergey Lavrov, who is set to visit Seoul Friday, flew to Pyongyang after the North also threatened to quit six-country nuclear disarmament talks in anger over UN censure for its rocket launch. **REUTERS**

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### Are choices really green?



Stefanie Urbanowicz

Kermit the Frog had it right when he said, "It's not easy being green." We all want to do the right thing for the environment, but it's very confusing. We are constantly bombarded with new "green" choices — compact fluorescent light bulbs, organic food, bio-fuels and even greener packaging. But are these choices really more environmentally friendly?

It's trickier than it seems. Close examination shows the choices aren't clear, and what we think is green might actually be worse for the environment. For example, organic foods are perceived to offer a better environmental choice — but only if they aren't transported thousands of miles. Fluorescent light bulbs last longer and consume less energy — but they are loaded with toxic mercury lethal to hu-

mans and the environment. Bio-fuels may create less air pollution — but they may divert valuable, needed land from food production, straining the world's food supply.

Even the much-promoted reusable grocery bag is a case study in how tricky green can be. Cotton

in Canada are made from heavy plastic.

Another not-so-green aspect of reusable bags is most are made in China and shipped here when they could be made in Canada.

Surprisingly, the much-vilified plastic shopping bag may be much better for the environment than people think. Why?



reusable bags are very fossil fuel intensive and soil depleting. According to the Pesticide Action Network of North America, 25 per cent of the world's insecticides are used in the production of cotton. Perhaps that's why most reusable grocery bags

First, it's usually made in Canada, eliminating carbon-producing long-distance transport. Second, it's made from clean natural gas produced right here in Canada. And without plastic bags what will we do with our household garbage? Using

your 99-cent reusable bag as a bin liner isn't going to happen, so now you'll buy kitchen catchers containing almost double the amount of plastic of traditional bags you used to get for free. This will cost more and result in more plastic being consumed.

Also what happens to that reusable bag when it tears or the handle breaks? Contrary to what we've been told, reusable grocery bags cannot be recycled in Canada.

Ironically, traditional plastic shopping bags are easily recycled across Ontario in blue bin programs and at participating retailers with a real environmental ethos. These bags are recyclable, and they're remanufactured in Ontario into useful new products like drainage pipes and garden edging — creating much needed manufacturing jobs.

Even Kermit the Frog would be pleased with this green choice.

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## Worth mentioning

### Zen and the art of email

**STRESS** Millions of Americans at this very moment are online, scrolling, reading and typing at their computers.

Many more are receiving and sending emails or text messages via cellphones and BlackBerrys.

But despite all this activity, most of these people are getting very little done, says stress-reduction expert Soren Gordhamer in his book "Wisdom 2.0 — Ancient Secrets for the Creative & Constantly Connected."

While people constantly update their Facebook pages and co-workers sitting just feet apart communicate on Twitter, Gordhamer contends this widespread use of technology is actually making the U.S. less connected and creative than ever.

One of the key messages in the book is there is something missing in the lives of millions of anxious technologists across the country.

"The something that is missing is not more tools or technologies, but the state of our consciousness," Gordhamer writes. "It is the lack of connection to the place inside us of ease and focus — the creative mind."

But while some people turn to technology to fill a void, Gordhamer says it has also become one of

the biggest sources of stress for the average American, with the Internet providing a particular challenge.

But avoiding technology is not the answer, Gordhamer writes. Instead, he presents ways to regain control of it.

Gordhamer, who teaches stress-reduction techniques, suggests readers incorporate Eastern meditative practices to help ease the frantic anxiety produced by high-speed techno-culture.

Using many Zen Buddhist and Sufi parables, the book recommends a "middle way" approach for the modern worker, with a range of activities like breathing exercises and five-minute meditations to increase focus and awareness.

There's even a session on insomnia and a quick guide for "mindfulness" emailing, in which readers are advised to sit upright, take deep breaths and slow the pace of communication, or delay sending the message for a day or two.

REUTERS



## Views

### Outsourcing: Civic heresy or smart idea?

#### UrbanCompass



Terence Harding

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When it comes to talking about making this city operate in a more cost-effective manner, people seem to fall into one of two camps. The first camp thinks the city's role is to provide services and create good paying jobs for those who deliver those services. The second camp believes the city's role is to ensure required services are available — period.

If you've been reading these columns, it should be no surprise to you that I fall into the second camp.

I certainly want everyone to be able to make a good living. However, I do not want that living to unnecessarily eat up tax dollars that could otherwise be used to provide the level of services Edmontonians need and expect.

Let me give you an example of what I mean.

Transit drivers perform an important function. Thousands of people rely on these men and women each day. Drivers need to be professional, punctual and courteous with a commitment to the safety of those who use our transit services. But do they need to be city employees? I don't think so. I think there are a number of private sector transit drivers who can and do provide that level of service.

For many people, it would be sheer heresy to even con-

**"The cost of having a civic employee is about much more than an average hourly wage. It's about ... benefits and pension."**

sider the idea of the city owning the buses, trolleys and LRT cars, but not the drivers. But for me, I think there would be some distinct advantages to that situation. The first would be that the private sector company would likely be more successful in providing drivers split shifts, which is a perennial sticking point with the city's drivers. The second advantage is we could negotiate the best fee-for-service price. Though I am not sure there would be much of a savings there. The real savings come over the long term.

The cost of having a civic

employee is about much more than an average hourly wage. It is about the cost of benefits and pension plans as well. Every cent that goes into one of those areas is money that cannot be spent on clearing roads, fixing potholes and all the other things we want and need. Having private sector drivers would mean that we only paid for the service being provided and nothing more.

So is what I am suggesting civic heresy or is it an idea worth considering?

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**Philip Morris smokers still lighting up**

A better-than-expected profit at Marlboro-seller Philip Morris International showed most smokers are still lighting up despite the global slowdown. **REUTERS**

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# Business

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## Bank readies fixes

But unconventional measures may not be used

**The Bank of Canada said Thursday it is unlikely to adopt any unconventional policies before June, if at all, to stimulate the economy now that the bank has run out of room to cut interest rates.**

At the same time, the central bank provided a framework for use of such measures, which include an expansion of money supply through purchasing financial assets in the market, known as quantitative easing, and rescuing private-sector credit markets, which it calls credit easing.

It spoke of the "need for prudence in the use of these instruments," which

### Contraction

- The Bank of Canada projected an annualized 7.3 per cent economic contraction in the first quarter of this year, which is the biggest contraction on record.

have had some success in the United States, Britain and Switzerland.

Clearly concerned about the possibility of overshooting if it did engage unconventional measures, the bank cited "considerable uncertainty with respect to the size and timing of the economy's re-

sponse to these measures."

The bank provided markets with few clues on the likelihood of ever implementing such measures, the types of securities it might target first or the size of such purchases.

It said it would announce any planned purchases at the bank's scheduled rate announcements, the next one being June 4. It would also announce the size of purchases it would make until the next fixed date.

It said it would only announce new policy measures in between set dates in "exceptional circumstances."

**REUTERS**

### New York Microfinance



A woman mixes a drink at a recent Granmeen America open house at St. John's University in New York. Originally begun in Bangladesh, the non-profit microfinance organization has 600 borrowers in Queens, all women, with average loans of \$2,200 US with a repayment rate of 99.6 per cent.

### In brief

**AUTO** Zenn Motor Co. Inc. shares shot nearly 70 per cent higher Thursday morning after a partner of the electric car maker announced positive performance data on a ground-breaking battery it is making.

**CREDIT** U.S. President Barack Obama Thursday urged U.S. credit card companies to reform their practices, saying they should stop unfair rate increases and be more transparent and accountable.

**TRANSPORTATION** California's Zero Motorcycles visited Toronto yesterday to launch its Zero S battery-powered motorcycle into the Canadian market, giving urban commuters another way of going electric. The Zero S can drive up to 97 kilometres on a single charge and can reach 100 kilometres per hour.

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Nicklas Lidstrom of the Detroit Red Wings, Mike Green of the Washington Capitals and Zdeno Chara of the Boston Bruins are the finalists for the Norris Trophy as the NHL's top defenceman, the league announced Thursday. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Sports



## Bad news for the Blue Jays

The Toronto Blue Jays placed left-handed starter Ricky Romero and closer B.J. Ryan on the 15-day disabled list Thursday. Romero has a right oblique muscle strain while Ryan has a strained trapezius muscle. Romero has been one of the bright spots in the Jays rotation, going 2-0 with a 1.71 ERA. Ryan has been struggling, blowing two saves in four chances so far. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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## Esks release LaRose, Dada

**CFL** The Eskimos released defensive backs J.R. LaRose and Wale Dada, and signed defensive backs Darnell Terrell and



Emanuel White on Thursday. LaRose had two special teams tackles and a knock-down in eight games during the 2008 campaign, then broke his leg against Winnipeg on Oct. 4 and was placed on the injured list for the final nine games of the season.

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# Brodeur ties playoff record

## STANLEY CUP 2009 Playoffs

**Martin Brodeur quickly recovered from Tuesday's devastating loss and made 44 saves to post his 23rd career postseason shutout to lead the New Jersey Devils to a 1-0 victory over the Carolina Hurricanes in Game 5 of their Eastern Conference quarter-final at Prudential Center.**

Brodeur, who earlier this year became the all-time regular season shutouts leader, is now tied with Patrick Roy atop the all-time post-season whitewash list. David Clarkson scored for New Jersey, which leads this best-of-seven series 3-2.

## Red Wings 6 Blue Jackets 5

Johan Franzen scored the



Martin Brodeur makes a glove save under pressure from Ray Whitney in Newark, N.J., Thursday night. The Devils won 1-0.

game-winning power-play goal with 46.6 seconds left in the third period, and the defending Stanley Cup champion Detroit Red Wings held on to complete a four-game sweep of the

Columbus Blue Jackets with a 6-5 win in Game 4 of the Western Conference quarter-final series at Nationwide Arena.

With the game deadlocked at 5-5 late in the

third period, Columbus was assessed a penalty for too many men on the ice with 1:34 left and Detroit capitalized.

## Flyers 3 Penguins 0

Martin Biron stopped all 28 shots he faced as the Philadelphia Flyers staved off elimination with a 3-0 decision over the Pittsburgh Penguins in Game 5 of their Eastern Conference quarter-final from Mellon Arena. Biron posted his second career post-season shutout for the effort, the first time the Flyers have blanked the Penguins in a playoff game in their five-series history.

Arron Asham, Claude Giroux and Mike Knuble lit the lamp for Philadelphia, who returns home for Game 6 Saturday.

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## Sports in brief

**CURLING** Canada earned two victories Thursday to remain unbeaten and secure a semi-final spot at the world mixed doubles curling championship in Italy. Sean Grassie of Winnipeg and Allison Nimik of Calgary beat Australia 9-5, and New Zealand 6-4.

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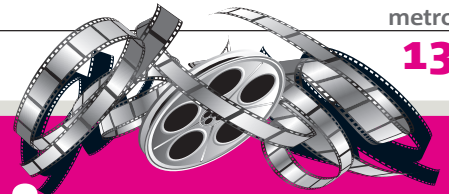


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Jennifer Garner stars opposite Matthew McConaughey in *Ghosts of Girlfriends Past*.

# Garner turns on the laughs

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### Movie feature

**In Jennifer Garner's latest film, *Ghosts of Girlfriends Past*, she plays maid of honour for a wedding imperiled by her caddish ex, played by Matthew McConaughey. But to hear Garner tell it, she's often the one more likely to wreak havoc on someone else's nuptials.**

"I'm usually part of the disaster of a wedding if I'm a bridesmaid, which I've been lucky to be several times," Garner says, smiling sheepishly. "One time I had had my dress altered and hadn't tried it on again, and there was six inches left on the hem," she remembers.

"We had to duct tape it up. You can fix anything with duct tape."

Garner's own wedding to Ben Affleck wasn't so fraught, and the two have become an anomaly in Hollywood: A normal, happy family.

"The rule with marriage is the less you talk about it, the better, as far as I can tell," Garner jokes.

Garner and Affleck recently welcomed their second daughter, Seraphina. Juggling young motherhood and working isn't easy, but Garner counts herself lucky to have the kind of job she does.

"I work really intensely, but in a place where if I need to take a break

and feed a baby, they let me, which isn't always the case for women in the corporate world," Garner explains.

But forget being a working mother — Garner is surprised she's working in film at all. "I never expected to be in front of a camera, even when I was studying acting," she says. "I wouldn't even go into the film school at my school. I was only about the stage. I was a total snob."

Luckily she abandoned that snobishness, and went on to find success in television and film, including her breakthrough roles in the TV series *Alias* and in the film *13 Going on 30*, another romantic comedy.

And Garner will continue in comedy for the time being, appearing soon in Ricky Gervais' *The Invention of Lying*, about a world where everyone tells the truth. But working with laugh-happy Gervais proved tricky.

"The worst thing about Ricky as a director is that if something is funny at all, he breaks and laughs and ruins your take," Garner says. "I would say, 'It's your movie. Just go in another room and let me just do it.'"

Surely nothing a little duct tape can't fix, though.

• *Ghosts of Girlfriends Past* opens in theatres next Friday.



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X-Men Origins: Wolverine opens the summer blockbuster parade on May 1.

# Here come the blockbusters

STEVE GOW  
for Metro Canada



**It's hard to believe, but in one week the month of May will be upon us and with it the onset of the summer blockbuster season.**

Sure, 2009 has already made some surprising splashes at the box office (I'm looking at you, Paul Blart: Mall Cop), but with such highly-anticipated releases as Terminator Salvation (May 22), the sixth Harry Potter film (July 15) and G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (August 7), summer should ensure some of the year's biggest mon-eymakers.

Here's a peek at a few of summer's exciting highlights:

#### X-MEN ORIGINS: WOLVERINE (MAY 1)

Like last year's Iron Man, summer kicks off with a hotly-anticipated comic-book movie. Everyone's favorite mutant, Wolverine, brings Hugh Jackman back into the role that made him a Hollywood star.

#### STAR TREK (MAY 8)

If you don't know about J.J. Abrams' overhyped reimagining of this sci-fi franchise, then you've been living on the planet Gamma Hydra IV (and if you got that reference, you definitely knew about this remake). This should be one of the biggest hits of 2009.

#### UP (MAY 29)

Like Wall-E and every other Pixar animated flick before it, this clever comedy about an old man who converts his house into a hot-air balloon will surely send ticket sales skyward.

#### LAND OF THE LOST (JUNE 5)

An adaptation of the cheesy 1970s Saturday morning TV series, a scientist is sucked through a vortex back to prehistoric times. With Will Ferrell in charge, somehow I suspect it'll be tongue-in-cheek.



A scene from Terminator Salvation.

#### TRANSFORMERS: REVENGE OF THE FALLEN (JUNE 26)

Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox and those crazy morphing robots are back in this thrilling sequel. Since the 2007 original earned over \$300 million in ticket sales, I'd say this is a safe bet at the box office.

#### PUBLIC ENEMIES (JULY 1)

Want a guaranteed big-screen hit? Take Johnny Depp, add director Michael Mann (Collateral) and get them together for a movie about legendary bank robber John Dillinger. There you go. Instant hit.

#### BRÜNO (JULY 10)

Sacha Baron Cohen's hit character Borat comes back in the form of Brüno, a flamboyant designer who taunts everything from high-end fashion designers to gun-toting red-necks.

Early buzz predicts it will be just as provocative and funny as Borat. No word yet on appearances by hairy, naked fat dudes.

### Summer Preview





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# Great fiction in the name of truth

### InFocus

**Richard Crouse**

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Mark Twain understood basing stories on real events wouldn't necessarily mean a tale couldn't have its own flights of fancy.

"Truth is stranger than fiction," he said, "but it is because fiction is obliged to stick to possibilities; truth isn't."

In simpler terms he means that just because something is far fetched doesn't mean it didn't happen. For example, if a screenwriter came up with the colourful idea that a homeless man, dressed like a superhero was a musical genius who believed

Beethoven was the "leader of Los Angeles" you'd scream "Codswallop!" That is until you see the real life account of Nathaniel Ayers, subject of The Soloist, in theatres this week.

What did Ayers, a schizophrenic man with a larger than life personality, think of Jamie Foxx's portrayal of him? He was, said Mr. Ayers, "a good Nathaniel."

Another real life character, John Wojtowicz, who robbed a bank to pay for his lover's sex change operation, earned \$7,500 for the movie rights for his outlandish story. The resulting movie, Dog Day Afternoon, only got 30 per cent of the facts right, Wojtowicz said, but he added that "Al Pacino's performance has to be called 'out of sight...'" his characterization was flawless."

Of course some movies don't even get 30 per cent of the story right.

Who could forget Morgan Freeman as Joe Clark, Lean on Me's tyrannical

**"If an audience believes that something's based on a real event, it gives you permission to do things they might otherwise not accept."**

Joel Coen

high school principal? On screen armed with a bullhorn and determination he led the rowdy students of New Jersey's Eastside High School to their highest test scores ever. It was an inspirational movie, but the real life story isn't quite as stirring. Screenwriters kept the extraordinary aspects of Clark's story — his use of bullhorns in class and penchant for extreme discipline — but inflated his accomplishments. Despite his notable efforts, test scores didn't go up.

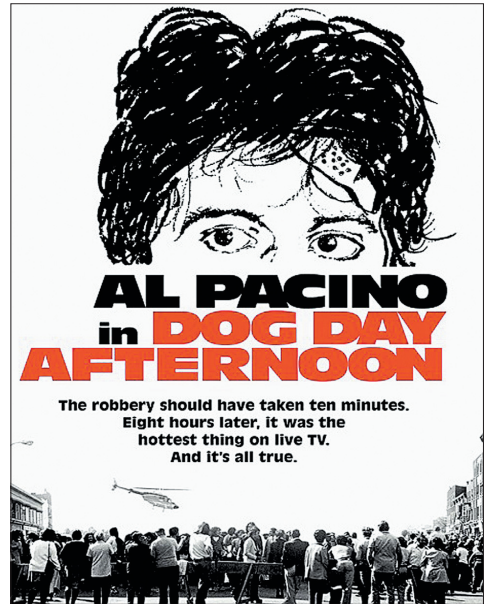
When asked about the

exaggerations in the "based on a true story" account of his life Clark said, "It's entertainment. And the design of entertainment is to make people happy. There's enough sadness in one's life. Once in a while you must extract a reasonable facsimile of glee, as factitious as it may be."

Sometimes, in the "design of entertainment" the words "Based on a True Story" are completely meaningless. In its opening credits Fargo claimed to be a true story, but it's actually not. Why make claims to realism then? "If an audience believes that something's based on a real event," said co-director Joel Coen, "it gives you permission to do things they might otherwise not accept."

Mark Twain would have understood.

Richard Crouse's Movie Show can be seen every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. on the El Channel, mrrchaos33@hotmail.com.



Dog Day Afternoon was based on the life of John Wojtowicz, who robbed a bank to pay for his lover's sex change operation.

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## Movies

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# Fighting no knockout

## Fighting

**Director:** Dito Montiel

**Stars:** Channing Tatum, Terence Howard

**Classification:** 14A

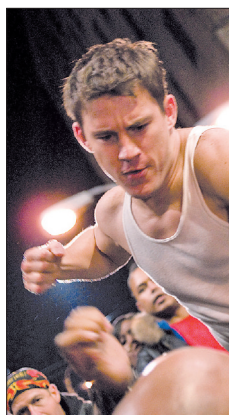
**Rating:** ★★

STEVE GOW  
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You wouldn't assume from its title that *Fighting* has surprisingly little conflict. I'm not talking about drag-down, split-lip knuckledusters. Oh, there's plenty of that. But in-between those striking sequences, *Fighting* is flat-out stagnant.

Directed by punk musician-turned-filmmaker Dito Montiel, *Fighting* tells the story of street-wise Shawn (Channing Tatum), a money-hungry hustler (with a seeming inability to form facial expressions) who discovers the world of underground fist-fighting through a con man named Harvey (Terence Howard).



Channing Tatum plays a street-wise hustler in *Fighting*.

Of course, here's where the clichés start adding up: Shawn (inspired by Rocky Balboa perhaps?) charms a single working mom with his dull-headed honesty while the film builds to an obvious championship battle against his nemesis — a former team member

from his wrestling days back in Alabama.

It seems Shawn may be the jealous type.

Which brings me to *Fighting*'s main flaw — motive or lack thereof. While Montiel surely has a knack for capturing some compelling combat on film, *Fighting* doesn't give us enough backstory or a reason to understand why or how Shawn has gotten to this lot in life.

However, where Montiel lacks in establishing purpose, he does counteract with a slightly engaging homage to gritty pre-Giuliani Manhattan. Accompanied by a cool '70s-era soundtrack, the film feels dirty and the characters call back to an earlier New York.

When one annoying street-lady rambles on about Manhattan's new developments in Harvey's presence, he simply says, "move on, lady."

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# Foxx jarring note in moving Soloist

## The Soloist

Director: Joe Wright

Stars: Jamie Foxx

Classification: PG

Rating: ★★★★★

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Metro World NewsBetween its infamous  
rescheduling out of Oscar  
season last year and starRobert Downey Jr.'s hilarious diatribe in *Tropic Thunder* about the perils of playing mentally ill on film, it's hard to watch *The Soloist* without that little golden guy tapping on

your shoulder.

Sure, Jamie Foxx makes a good schizophrenic homeless Juilliard dropout, but an Oscar-worthy one?

While Foxx's job as Nathaniel Ayers checks off all the boxes for a stirring portrayal of mental illness, there's little spark to it. Too much of the effort shows, leaving not so much a character on-screen as Jamie Foxx playing a character. He doesn't disappear into the role so much as show it off.

But Downey quietly steals the movie out from under his co-star.

His Steve Lopez is a fantastic mix of world-weary cynicism and innate curiosity, trying to remain calm as the newspaper he

Jamie Foxx, left, and Robert Downey Jr. star in *The Soloist*.

works for — and the industry itself — crumbles around him.

The one aspect of the film that may split audiences is the inclusion of actual Skid Row residents and mentally ill shelter-dwellers, playing themselves, making some scenes come off impressively like a documentary.

While putting a real, human face on the issue is laudable and eye-opening, watching Hollywood star Jamie Foxx in full homeless drag sitting among actual homeless people is more than a little jarring and gives the film the unfortunate aftertaste of stunt casting.

But for all its faults, *The Soloist* is a quietly powerful movie, with a satisfying if subdued conclusion.• Visit [metronews.ca](http://metronews.ca) for a trailer of *The Soloist*, or for local screen times.

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## Welcome to Sticks lost in translation

### Welcome to the Sticks

Director: Dany Boon

Stars: Kad Merad, Dany Boon

Classification: STC

Rating: ★★

PHIL BROWN  
for Metro Canada

**REVIEW** Welcome To The Sticks comes to North America as France's highest grossing film. Dany Boon's tale of an uptight urbanite from southern France who is forced to move to a small village in the north might have native viewers keeling

over in hysterics, but sadly most of the comedy is lost in translation.

Much of the film's humour is so regionally specific that it will provoke little more confused stares from international audiences. With a running gag based on how the locals pronounce the French language, subtitles are not this movie's friend.

The film stars Kad Merad as Philippe, a post office manager so desperate for a transfer to a beautiful locale that he attempts to trick his superiors into thinking he's handicapped. After some admittedly inspired wheelchair slapstick, Philippe is

quickly sent to a rural outpost as punishment.

Though he initially fears his new surroundings, he soon discovers that "hey, northerners are nice people after all" (ain't that sweet?). It's all pretty predictable stuff, but the North vs. South comedy clearly played as well with the French as Bon Cop, Bad Cop did with Canadians. However, just like our highest grossing domestic film, *Welcome To The Sticks* won't have the same life internationally.

Dany Boon is clearly trying to craft a French Local Hero, but his film just doesn't have the same universal appeal.

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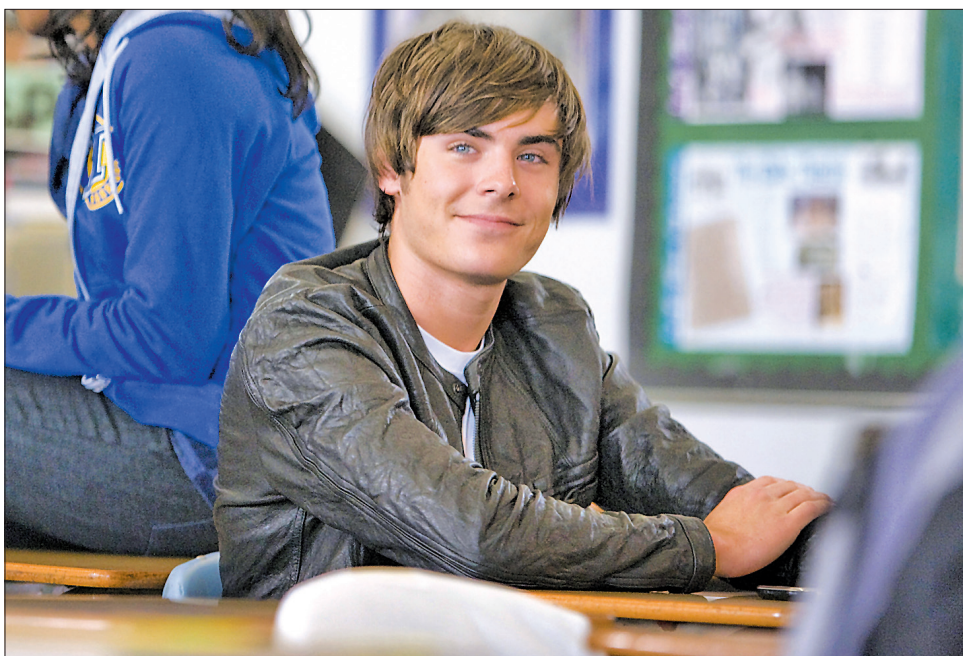
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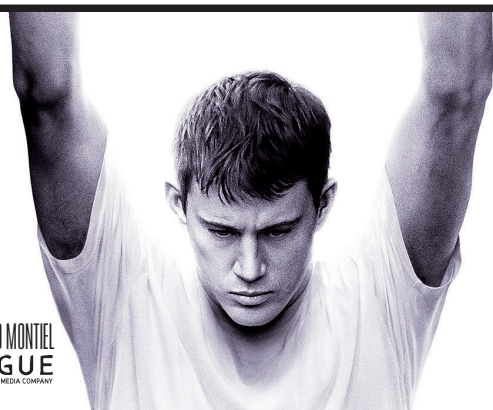
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## Music

## Cure for Writer's Block

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI  
for Metro Canada

After reading Peter Bjorn and John's press release for their new album *Living Thing*, you can't help but feel the guys are a bit frustrated that *Young Folks*, their hit single with the infectious whistle off 2006's *Writer's Block*, got as popular as it did.

"What a lot of people don't seem to understand is that we're celebrating our 10th anniversary as a band this year, they think this will be our second album when in reality it's actually our fifth," said lead singer Peter Moren in the release.

When I spoke with him a few weeks before the band's new disc hit shelves, he made it known that while he was appreciative of what that song has done for his career, *Young Folks*' popularity was a mixed blessing.

"It was 99 per cent helpful," he says on the phone from the group's home base, Stockholm. "But because it was tied into one



Living Thing in the latest album from Sweden's Peter Bjorn and John.

song like that, we had to make an instrumental album (2008's *Seaside Rock*). It was therapeutic for us to get into the studio without expectations."

But, while it's true that *Seaside Rock* is technically the follow-up to *Writer's Block*, it's *Living Thing* that people will compare to their hit record. If fans are looking for an album full of sunny, *Young Folks*-like pop, they're going to be disappointed, mostly because that one song isn't what Peter Bjorn and John are

about. The band has always had a dark streak, and it's out in full force here — the trio set their musical focus on spooky percussion and minimalist guitars and bass; in fact, the whole disc consists mostly of just vocals, drums and electro sounds.

However, every song still has the same infectious melodies that made *Young Folks* a hit, it'll just take fans of that song a while to warm up to these somewhat less accessible tracks. But, if their fans bothered to listen to more than just

Writer's Block, they'd understand that *Living Thing* isn't actually that different from their previous work.

"The album before *Writer's Block* was a bit more angry and sad," says Moren. "It just felt natural to do something in that vein again."

Moren points out that they didn't push their darker side because of *Writer's Block*'s popularity. "Even if we wouldn't have had that success, we still would have sounded like this now," he says, adding that they've always tried to reinvent their sounds. "The soft songs and melancholy beats are similar, but you need to frame it in a different way."

Of course, many fans won't realize that they've been framing and re-framing their sound for years now, so to the followers who only know *Young Folks* Moren says "if you're into *Writer's Block* there are things you can find on other records you'll like too."

"But, if you only like a couple songs," he makes sure to add, "that's perfectly fine too."

## Money the key to big-name reunions

## SoundCheck

Alan Cross

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As you read this, they're just finishing cleaning up after several hundred thousand people who temporarily quintupled the population of Indio, Calif., a small desert city about 180 kilometres east of Los Angeles, for the annual Coachella Music and Arts Festival.

Coachella has become THE place for big-name reunions. In years past, organizers have somehow managed to convince the fractious Rage Against the Machine, the infighting Crowded House and the squabbly Jesus and Mary Chain to put differences aside for the sake of music, art and money. Gobs and gobs of money.

This year, though, gasp-worthy reunions didn't materialize. My Bloody Valentine WAS on the bill, but they've been playing gigs for a year now. Old news. Instead, we saw sets by Paul McCartney and Leonard Cohen.

With almost everyone in the reunion business again this year, who's there left to convince to put all the bad blood aside for a chance to top up the pension plan? Blur would have been a good get for Coachella, but they're not about to screw up the hysteria that's build-

ing toward a series of high-profile appearances that have already been announced for the U.K. this summer. Blink-182? Too busy rehearsing for a summer comeback tour with their friends in Weezer. Seeing the original Specials would have been cool, but arguments with founder Jerry Dammers delayed that train. Maybe next year.

So what about next year? A Scottish paper started a rumour that the Stone Roses had already booked a U.K. tour, which included a stop at Coachella. Alas, that was just some wishful thinking during a slow news day.

The Talking Heads? Their name came up, but David Byrne quickly squashed that. Besides, the ex-Heads have evolved so much as musicians, songwriters and performers that none of them can see themselves in big suits to sing Psycho Killer again.

The biggest possible coup? A reunited Smiths, which would be biblical. But if Morrissey, Johnny Marr, Andy Rourke and Mike Joyce were to ever step onstage and play together, the ground would surely open up and swallow all of California, creating a black hole that would in time consume the entire Earth. And considering the state is already in danger of cleaving into the Pacific, no one wants to take that chance.

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## Metro recommends

• **VICTORIA DAY, MELISSA MCCLELLAND:** McClelland's classic voice perfectly suits her album's fusion of twangy blues, '50s pop and tender balladry.



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## Oh, Henry!

Henry, Betty's old flame who left her and moved to Arizona, will be back, TVGuide.com has confirmed. Christopher Gorham, the actor who plays Henry, will appear in the May 21 season finale of *Ugly Betty*. **TVGUIDE.COM**

## Television

# Cowell to walk if Idol ratings slip

**American Idol judge Simon Cowell says he will leave the most popular show on television if it ever slips from the top spot in the ratings.**

"The idea that for the next five years, I'd be doing exactly what I've been doing for the past five years ... the thought is just too depressing," Cowell said in a recent interview in his trailer, awaiting a taping of *Idol* at CBS Television City. "I'd go nuts, bored out of my

mind. You have to evolve, you have to change. I like the challenge of launching something new."

With Cowell's deal with Fox expiring at the end of next season, that something new could be a U.S. version of his U.K. singing competition series *The X Factor*. When Cowell launched *Factor* three years ago, the show became a massive hit that has since supplanted *American Idol* predecessor *Pop Idol*.

**"... You have to evolve, you have to change. I like the challenge of launching something new."**

Simon Cowell

The *Factor* success was worrisome enough for Fox to forbid Cowell from launching the show in the U.S. while he's under his current *Idol* deal. But all that could soon change.

Asked if he'd want to stay on *Idol* if it slips from No. 1 in the ratings, Cowell burst

out laughing. "Absolutely not!" he said. "Being No. 1 is verging on an obsession with me. I don't like being No. 2. I don't mind when you start at No. 10 ... and you've got somewhere to go. But if you're at the point you've reached it, of course you want to stay there."

Though the *Idol* audience has declined over the past few seasons, the show remains far and away the ratings champ.

Factor, Cowell noted, has increased its audience every year, which he says suggests the U.S. is ready for another music competition series.

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## In brief

TV ABC has picked up 13 episodes of upcoming Canadian cop drama *Cooper* — billed as *Grey's Anatomy* in the world of rookie cops — from E1 Television, Canwest Global Communications said Wednesday.

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### 3 Les Miserables

**MUSICAL** The acclaimed musical is a hot ticket once again thanks to Susan Boyle, whose jaw-dropping rendition of I Dreamed a Dream on Britain's Got Talent wowed the world. The album with the original London cast was No. 21 on iTunes Hot 100 Downloads this week.

### 4 Recession-themed shows

**TV** Maybe it will take a little credit crisis to revive the dwindling fortunes of quality television. Recession is the buzzword among networks these days — ABC is working on Canned, a comedy about a group of friends who get laid off the same day, while Fox is planning Two-Dollar Beer, which focuses on tough times in and around Motor City Detroit.

### 5 Dan Brown

**AUTHOR** All signs point to another bumper year for the mega-selling writer. This week, Brown announced that The Lost Symbol, the much-anticipated follow-up to The Da Vinci Code, will be out in September. Also on the cards is Ron Howard's adaptation of Angels & Demons, which promises to be one of the biggest box-office draws of summer.



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### 7 Summer movies

**FILM** The end of the Hollywood dry spell is nigh. Starting next week, the year's biggest studio spectacles will hit theatres. First up is X-Men Origins: Wolverine, starring Hugh Jackman. Next comes the rebooted version of Star Trek ... and the list goes on.

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# Lauper wants Boyle to star in a movie

Pop star likes British singer

**CELEBRITY** Cyndi Lauper says it would be "fantastic" if British singing sensation Susan Boyle accepted an offer to be in a planned film starring the U.S. pop singer and actress Tippi Hedren.

Susan Boyle, at 47, became one of the world's hottest celebrities virtually overnight after her rendition of "I Dreamed a Dream" on Britain's Got Talent this month. The clip has already been viewed around 50 million times on YouTube.

Lauper and Hedren are due to start work on dramatic comedy Section 8, a tale about baby boomers who put their lives on hold to chase their dreams. The film also stars Queen Emily David, a finalist on America's Got Talent.

The film's director Darla Rae has asked Boyle to appear in the film and sing a duet with David.

"That's great, that's fantastic," Lauper said when told by Reuters about the offer to Boyle, a Scottish spinster with untamed hair and a plain-spoken manner.

"I think she's a kick. I really like her," said Lauper. "She stated very clearly 'I always wanted to sing in front of a large audience' and as soon as she did she said 'thank you' and left."



Cyndi Lauper

she added.

"She wasn't really interested in what they had to say. She did what she wanted to do and that was sing. That's what wonderful singers are like."

Rae said in a statement on the website of her company Film It Productions, that she has offered Boyle a role in Section 8.

"Susan studied at Edinburgh Acting School in the early '90s but was forced to leave and care for her sick mother. I'd love to help her finally realize her dream of being an actress! We've even sent offers through the local pub manager where Susan Boyle sings karaoke," Rae said.

Boyle has appeared on national television in the United States and in countless newspaper and Internet articles. **REUTERS**

Examining Media Issues

## InDepth

### Plane safety:

The hijacking of a Can-Jet flight in Jamaica last week likely has more people thinking about the dangers of air flight, and bringing back remembrances of 9/11. Here are some suggestions for those interested in learning more about hijackings and plane safety:

• The Complete Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook — a quirky guide to some potentially serious and not-so-serious situations — offers tips on surviving a possible plane crash (like taking a nonstop flight, if possible). The guide is available online at [irreference.com/category/worst-case-scenarios](http://irreference.com/category/worst-case-scenarios).

• For a better understanding of the in-the-air events on 9/11, rent the Oscar-nominated film United 93, about one of the hijacked planes which crashed in Pennsylvania when passengers foiled the terrorist plot. Also look for a copy of A&E's original movie Flight 93 based on the same event.

• Visit [pbs.org](http://pbs.org) to read the transcript and a few clips from the American Experience documentary Hijacked, about the Sept. 6, 1970, hijackings of TWA and SwissAir flights by the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

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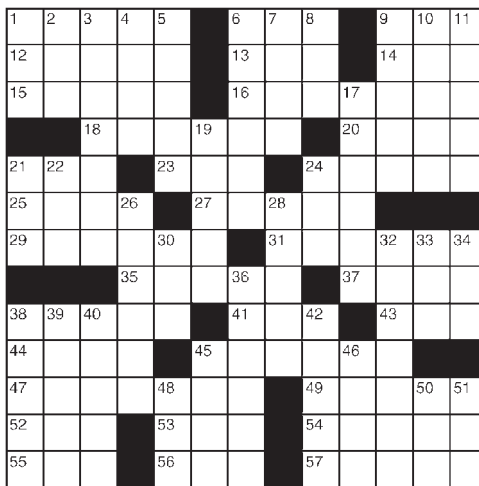
**Saturday**  
Mostly Cloudy  
8°C / -5°C

**Sunday**  
Snow Flurries  
5°C / -3°C



**Michele McDougall, Weather Specialist & Host – Breakfast Television**

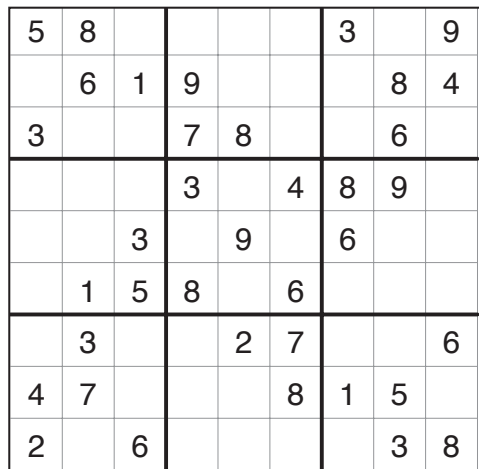
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## Sudoku

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



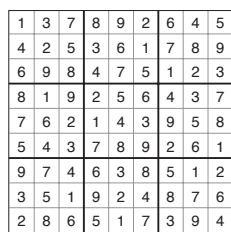
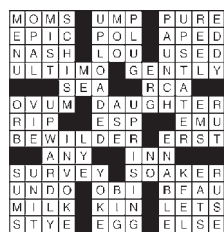
## Crossword across

- 1 Transfer
- 6 Decorate Easter eggs
- 9 Stannum
- 12 Not just prompt
- 13 "Alley —"
- 14 Pindaric piece
- 15 Pipe type
- 16 Chirp
- 18 Clan-related
- 20 Peruse
- 21 However
- 23 Smoke, for short
- 24 With fervor
- 25 Twist out of shape
- 27 Confuse
- 29 "Rabbit ears"
- 31 Unparalleled
- 35 Frock
- 37 Ringlet
- 38 Proverb
- 41 Turner or Williams
- 43 Squid squirt
- 44 Mysterious character
- 45 Disinclined to brag
- 47 Sparkle
- 49 Theme
- 52 Einstein's birthplace
- 53 \$ dispenser
- 54 Met show
- 55 Storm center
- 56 Kid's question
- 57 Vestige

## Crossword down

- 1 Ball VIP
- 2 Corn spike
- 3 Animal
- 4 Winglike
- 5 Hammerstein's contribution
- 6 Senility
- 7 Long, mournful wail
- 8 Beside (Pref.)
- 9 Carried
- 10 Perfect
- 11 Square
- 17 Catastrophic
- 19 Authoritative text
- 21 Merit-badge org.
- 22 Islander's strings
- 24 Calendar abbr.
- 26 Thingie
- 28 Amalgamated
- 30 Exist
- 32 Not one to see it through
- 33 Grecian vessel
- 34 Wapiti
- 36 Tempestuous
- 38 Battle verbally
- 39 In a boring way
- 40 "Pokemon" genre
- 42 Showroom samples
- 45 Part of SMU (Abbr.)
- 46 Erstwhile frosh
- 48 Spotted, to Tweety
- 50 Rage
- 51 Craze

## PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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21-25 min .....Not bad  
25+ min .....Keep practising

## Metro Recipe of the Day



## Tuna and Tomato Pizzas

### INGREDIENTS:

- 3 tsp (15 mL) extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 onion, minced
- 1 can (14 oz/398 mL) crushed tomatoes
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) dried oregano
- Pinch sugar
- 2 thick pizza crusts
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) tomato paste
- 1 can (6 oz/170 g) water-packed tuna, drained and flaked into chunks
- 4 tsp (20 mL) capers, rinsed
- 8 pitted black olives, sliced
- Salt and fresh-ground black pepper
- Fresh basil leaves

### METHOD:

1. Preheat oven to 425°F (220°C). Heat 1 tsp (5 mL) oil in small pot over medium heat. Add onion and sauté until soft, 4 minutes. Add tomatoes, oregano,

sugar and salt and pepper to taste. Bring to boil, then reduce heat and leave to simmer, uncovered, 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.

2. Put pizza crusts on 2 baking sheets. Spread 1 tb-sp (15 mL) tomato paste over each crust. Spoon tomato sauce over pizzas, then add tuna. Sprinkle with capers and olives. Drizzle remaining 2 tsp (10 mL) of olive oil over tops.
3. Bake pizzas until crusts are crisp and golden, 10 minutes, or following package directions. Sprinkle with torn basil leaves and serve at once.

**SERVES 4**



## Horoscopes

**ARIES**  
MARCH 21-APRIL 20  
Excellent advice helps to clear your mind. Uncertainty is exposed. An old favourite finds the consolation of love.



**TAURUS**  
APRIL 21-MAY 21  
A simple task is counter-productive. A heartless tale is an amusing revelation. There's a good reason for someone's hostility.



**LIBRA**  
SEPT 23-OCT 23  
A misunderstanding focuses on wasting time. A friend might not sidestep a feud. You'll inspire others and help them to grow.



**SCORPIO**  
OCT 24-NOV 22  
Satisfaction comes from trusting your instincts. Your hopes are raised by reaching an agreement. Someone's whimsy gets in the way.



**GEMINI**  
MAY 22-JUNE 21  
Recover from heartache by asking for help. You'll stumble over foolish beliefs. An old lesson now has special meaning.



**SAGITTARIUS**  
NOV 23-DEC 21  
Exceptional evidence of past issues is presented. Drag yourself away from a technical conversation. Be very clear about your distress.



**CANCER**  
JUNE 22-JULY 22  
Consideration for others causes a risk to arise. Responsibilities slow you down to a crawl. There are twinges of guilt over a tempting offer.



**CAPRICORN**  
DEC 22-JAN 20  
A fearful friend feels sorry for himself. Don't encourage anyone to avoid work. You can attain power by giving assistance.



**LEO**  
JULY 23-AUG 23  
A stranger's defeat won't drain your energy. A chat results from a wise decision. A false alarm defines incompetence.



**AQUARIUS**  
JAN 21-FEB 18  
Rise above panic and have new hope for the future. Ask to be released from obligations. A companion's blunder goes unpunished.



**VIRGO**  
AUG 24-SEPT 22  
Be especially careful with neighbours. An honourable person is checked for imperfection. Renewal comes from uninhibited career goals.



**PISCES**  
FEB 19-MARCH 20  
Investigate an ally's tenacity. A mark of respect is hard to find. Make it easy for others to talk to you.



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Michael J. Fox jumped at the chance to ditch his "Mr. Nice Guy" reputation as a bitter, drug-addicted character on TV show *Rescue Me*. "People don't often think of me as a bitter misanthrope ... it's too fun to pass up," he says. [FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK](http://FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK)

## Celebrity Buzz



# Gavin's gay lover?

**RUMOUR** Gavin Rossdale had a five-year relationship with a male pop star, [femalefirst.co.uk](http://femalefirst.co.uk) alleges. The former

Bush singer — who has two sons with wife Gwen Stefani and a daughter from a previous relationship — allegedly had a long romance with androgynous British singer Marilyn in the '80s.

Marilyn, 46, said: "He was the love of my life. We were together five years, but it felt like 40."

In 1995, singer Boy George — a close friend of Marilyn — alleged Rossdale, 43, and Marilyn had had an affair in his auto-

biography *Take It Like A Man*, but both men denied the claims.

However, Marilyn — whose real name is Peter Robinson — insists he lied in order to protect the Rossdale's burgeoning career.

The singer added to *In Touch Weekly* magazine: "He was just becoming successful in America. I agreed to lie against every grain of my being."

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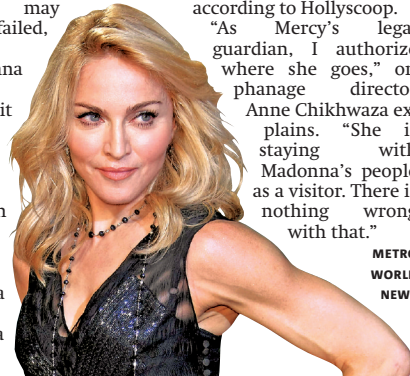
# Madonna hires crew for Mercy

**KIDS** Her initial attempt to adopt three-year-old Malawian Mercy James may have failed, but Madonna has made it clear she isn't giving up. In fact, she's even hired a nanny and a nurse

to look after the young girl while her lawyers work out the adoption appeal, according to *Hollyscoop*.

"As Mercy's legal guardian, I authorize where she goes," orphanage director Anne Chikhwaza explains. "She is staying with Madonna's people as a visitor. There is nothing wrong with that."

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## Heidi hopes fourth baby is a girl

**BABY** Heidi Klum is expecting her fourth child with husband Seal — and she's hoping it's a girl. The couple already has two sons, Johan and Henry, and a daughter, Leni. "We'd be happy with either, but it would be a lie if I said we weren't all hoping for a little girl — especially Leni, because she would love to have a little sister," Klum tells *Us Weekly*.

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# Jennifer's love triangle

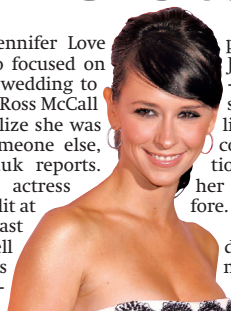
**RELATIONSHIP** Jennifer Love Hewitt was so focused on planning her wedding to Scottish actor Ross McCall she didn't realize she was falling for someone else, [femalefirst.co.uk](http://femalefirst.co.uk) reports.

When the actress and McCall split at the end of last year, Hewitt fell into the arms of *Ghost Whisperer*

co-star Jamie Kennedy — and now she can't believe she didn't consider a relationship with her old friend before.

Speaking candidly about her new romance on Wednesday's *Ellen DeGeneres*, she said, "Breakups are awful, they're really painful, they really suck on lots of levels but what I think is great about life is the universe always brings you something really beautiful and great afterwards — and that's kinda where I am now, so it's OK."

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# Salma's second wedding

**MARRIAGE** Newlywed Salma Hayak and her husband, Francois-Henri Pinault, who were married at city hall in Paris on Valentine's Day, are finally throwing a real wedding ceremony for friends — this weekend.

The couple will retie the knot in Venice, Italy, in front of friends including Javier Bardem and Penélope Cruz, according to *E!* News.

But it won't be a big to-

do, despite recent rumours Hayak was going to spend \$2 million US on the ceremony.

"I think spending millions of dollars on a wedding is ridiculous and it has never been my dream," she has said. "I would never do that."

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# Tensions run high on the Idol set

**PEOPLE** Tensions are high backstage at *American Idol* — and not between the contestants. New judge Kara DioGuardi is reportedly fed up with the way she's being treated by Simon Cowell and Randy Jackson, and this week's performance show was apparently particularly bad.

"She was so upset, she couldn't hold it back," a source tells

*OK! Magazine*. "Kara was telling everybody, 'I don't care anymore. I'm going to quit!' She didn't sign up to be anybody's punching bag." That's what she feels she's become."

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**Kim's new nickname**

Kim Kardashian has a new nickname: Zorro. "Poor little Kimmie laid out too long and got a major sunglasses tan! It was SO funny though!" her sis Khloe blogs. "We called her Zorro the rest of the trip hahahaha." **USMAGAZINE.COM**

**Celebrity Buzz****Fred Durst the 'happiest man alive'**

**ENGAGEMENT** Limp Bizkit frontman Fred Durst is thrilled that his band is getting back together, but he's even more excited that his girlfriend agreed to marry him. "Great news — I'm getting married to Esther in July," the singer announced on his Twitter. "It's on! Break out the bubbly!" Durst also posted a photo of the engagement ring, writing that he is "the happiest man alive."

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**Pink and Carey reunite**

**RECONCILIATION** Pink and Carey Hart are determined to make their marriage last forever, and want to show it by renewing their wedding vows, **femalefirst.co.uk** reports.

The couple, who recently reunited after separating in February 2008, is rumoured to be planning a small beachside ceremony for friends and family to show them they are committed to staying together.

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**Angie sticks up for anti-gay marriage beauty queen**

**POLITICS** Republican actress Angie Harmon is standing up for Miss California Carrie Prejean, who has been criticized for saying on Sunday's Miss USA pageant that she does not support gay marriage, **usmagazine.com** reports.

"If someone is standing up for how they feel and talking about their beliefs, why are we punishing her for that?" Harmon, 36, told **usmagazine.com**. "I just

don't understand how we've gotten to a place in America where, if someone doesn't agree with everyone, then they are punished for it."

Prejean, 21, insists her controversial answer "cost" her the crown. (Shanna Moakler, director of the Miss California USA pageant, denies this.)

Said Harmon, "I heard something in the car on the way over here, and it

was like, 'She wasn't punished,' but she lost because of it. So she was punished."

"I find it incredibly disappointing," she went on. "I mean, that is what she thinks. That's what she believes. I'm not going to punish anyone for that. I don't know if she lost because of it, but if she did, I think that is very disappointing. In the Miss USA, she can't stand up for what she thinks or what she be-

lieves in? I don't understand that."

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**LiLo sets breakup record straight**

**PEOPLE** Tired of letting the tabloids speak for her, Lindsay Lohan stopped by Ellen DeGeneres' talk show to chat about her split from Samantha Ronson.

Lohan claims the breakup came "out of nowhere" and that Ronson caught her completely off-guard.

"I had no idea what was going on. I just hadn't seen her in, like, a

week. She, like, disappeared," Lohan said. But she's hopeful the split isn't final. "I really care about Samantha and we'll see what happens," she says.

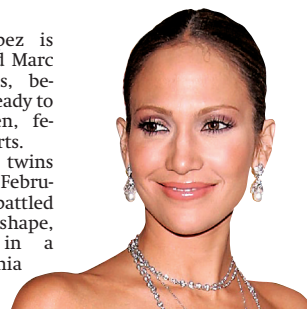
"Maybe when we're fully in the right place. And I love her."

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**J.Lo to Marc: No babies!**

**FAMILY** Jennifer Lopez is fighting off husband Marc Anthony's advances, because she's not yet ready to have more children, **femalefirst.co.uk** reports.

Since welcoming twins Max and Emme in February 2008, Lopez has battled hard to get back in shape, even competing in a triathlon in California last September.



She's not ready to give up her buff post-baby body just yet — despite Anthony's desperation to expand their brood.

Lopez tells *People* magazine, "Marc is like, 'What are we waiting for?' I'm like, 'We gotta wait 'til Mum's ready. I'm in the best shape of my life. And best mindset.'"

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**Truth to Slumdog screen romance?**

**RUMOUR** Slumdog Millionaire stars Dev Patel and Freida Pinto — who play lovers on-screen, and in real life have denied reports that they're an item — were spotted kissing during a romantic night out.

Patel was visiting Pinto in Israel, where she's shooting her latest film, ac-

cording to Britain's Daily Star.

And their co-star, Anil Kapoor, claims something is up between the two. "When I meet them, I feel there is something happening," he said recently. "They definitely make a great pair."

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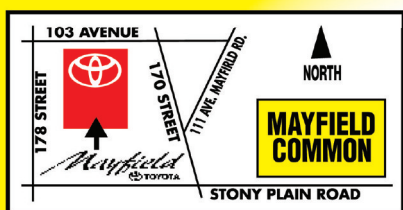


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